

BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE  
DECISION TO APPROVE A LARGE  
MINING AND RECLAMATION PLAN  
FOR HOLLIDAY CONSTRUCTION, INC.'S  
LIME RIDGE MINE  
SAN JUAN, COUNTY, UTAH

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE  
DECISION TO APPROVE

NO. M/037/081

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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION,  
MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS  
INTERESTED IN SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 41 SOUTH, RANGE 20 EAST, SLBM, SAN  
JUAN COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve the Large Mining Operations Notice of Intention for Holliday Construction, Inc.'s Lime Ridge Mine. Mining activities will affect the following area: S  $\frac{1}{2}$  NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  and N  $\frac{1}{2}$  SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  Section 16, Township 41 South, Range 20 East, SLBM, San Juan County, Utah.

Holliday Construction, Inc. has submitted a permit application to expand an existing small mining project to a large mining operation. The operator will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 11.48 acres of state land.

**During Operations:**

Surface mining of limestone by conventional drilling and blasting techniques. Equipment includes front-end loaders, hydraulic excavators with impact hammer attachments, a crushing and screening circuit, conveyor systems, and a diesel generator. Sparse topsoil is salvaged prior to drilling and blasting the overburden. Overburden is stockpiled on site for use in final reclamation. Limestone is crushed on site to meet various product requirements and hauled by truck to markets. Portable crushing equipment operates in accordance with the Utah Division of Air Quality requirements.

**After Operations:**

Overburden and reject limestone will be placed in the pit excavations as backfill to reduce highwall angles to 45 degrees or less. Salvaged soil will be spread over portions of the affected area at a 12-inch depth to create islands. Reject limestone fines and overburden will be spread as substitute soil on areas between the soil islands. Fertilizer and/or organic matter will be spread over the entire affected area. The island areas and all affected areas will be seeded. The

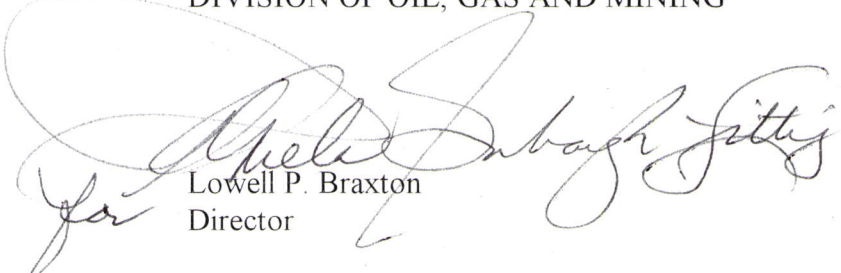
ephemeral stream channel through the site will be restored to closely resemble the original configuration. Small portions of the pit excavations may remain as a water collection resource for wildlife and livestock. San Juan County Road #2351 leading through the site will remain intact, and include a culvert crossing over the ephemeral drainage channel.

The person representing the company is Mr. Jerry Holliday; Phone (435) 678-2028. Holliday Construction, Inc. is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Utah Code Ann. '40-8-18.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint. If no responsive written protests are received by the Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the tentative decision of the Division will be final.

DATED THIS 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2001

STATE OF UTAH  
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

  
Lowell P. Braxton  
Director

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Tentative Decision to Approve the Large Mining Notice of Intention for Holliday Construction, Inc.'s Lime Ridge Mine project, M/037/081 to be sent via facsimile, electronic mail, or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, the 11th day of April, 2001 to:

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